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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In re Application of:
Shankar SUBRAMANIAN et al.

Serial No: 10/070,282

Filing Date: April 15, 2002

Title: QUATERNARY AMMONIUM SALTS AS
THICKENING AGENTS FOR AQUEOUS
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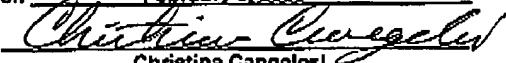
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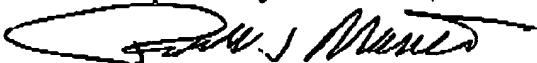
Transmitted herewith is a responsive document(s) for this application.

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Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 of:
 One Month (\$120.00) Two Months (\$ 450.00)
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which may be due (including filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and processing fees under 37
CFR 1.17) to Deposit Account No. 01-1350. If an extension of time is required but has not
been requested above, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time sufficient for the
attached document(s) to be timely. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed October 5, 2005 applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry in the above-identified case.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.